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dollars. I need some help in understanding the mechanics of this whole system so I would like to ask Senator Dierks a question.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Dierks, would you respond?

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Dierks, could you turn to page 3 of the committee amendment?

SENATOR DIERKS: Got it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: We're talking about claims for credits. This is what is said, beginning in line 6: This credit...oh, it talks about when it must be earned, but there's a provision that says the credit must be given in the form of a fuel certificate. Do you see where that is?

SENATOR DIERKS: No, I don't see it, but I know what you're talking about.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What does that mean? What would be that fuel certificate?

SENATOR DIERKS: It's a certificate that's...as I understand it, the...the ethanol or the alcohol production itself is sold to petroleum marketers...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Um-hum.

SENATOR DIERKS: ...and they...they get a certificate to purchase the fuel. The fuel is...and they are given so many dollars worth of certificate that they can buy the...they can buy the alcohol that they're going to use for maybe a little bit less, so they can make a little, make a few dollars on it. I'm not sure what that is, but...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. That's what...what I was curious about because I didn't know what it meant and that's all...that's all that I had to ask you at this point. Members of the